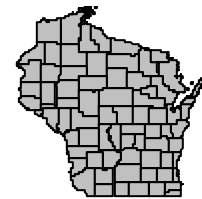


Wisconsin Behavioral Risk Factor Survey, 2001

Fact Sheet: Environmental Tobacco Smoke



The Behavioral Risk Factor Survey (BRFS) is a representative, statewide telephone survey of Wisconsin household residents 18 years and older. Results are based on self-reports from respondents who are selected through a stratified random sample. The survey was implemented by the Wisconsin Department of Health and Family Services, Bureau of Health Information in cooperation with the U.S. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention. Survey sampling and interviewing were conducted by the University of Wisconsin Survey Center.

Characteristic	Prevalence (%)*	Sample Size (n)
Total Sampled in Wisconsin		3605
Describe the rules about smoking inside your home		
Not allowed anywhere	64.0	2275
Allowed in Some Areas	13.0	473
Allowed in All Areas	2.7	106
No Rules about Smoking	20.0	739
Are you indoors most of the time at work?		
Yes	82.9	2081
No	16.6	360
Breathing smoke from someone else's cigarette is harmful		
Strongly Agree	60.4	2143
Agree	33.1	1196
Disagree	4.4	177
Strongly Disagree	NA	59
Secondhand smoke kills innocent people		
Strongly Agree	40.9	1501
Agree	43.0	1527
Disagree	11.7	410
Strongly Disagree	NA	52
Should smoking be allowed in restaurants?		
Allowed in All Areas	NA	46
Allowed in Some Areas	44.2	1578
Not allowed at all	54.4	1971
Should smoking be allowed in schools?		
Allowed in All Areas	NA	10
Allowed in Some Areas	5.5	192
Not allowed at all	93.6	3387
Should smoking be allowed in day care centers?		
Allowed in All Areas	NA	5
Allowed in Some Areas	2.5	81
Not allowed at all	97.0	3507
Should smoking be allowed in indoor work areas?		
Allowed in All Areas	NA	25
Allowed in Some Areas	29.2	1025
Not allowed at all	69.3	2527
Should smoking be allowed in indoor sporting events?		
Allowed in All Areas	NA	19
Allowed in Some Areas	17.3	636
Not allowed at all	81.5	2929

Characteristic	Prevalence (%)*	Sample Size (n)
Should smoking be allowed in bars and taverns?		
Allowed in All Areas	29.8	1035
Allowed in Some Areas	47.7	1725
Not allowed at all	20.8	785
Should smoking be allowed in indoor shopping areas?		
Allowed in All Areas	NA	21
Allowed in Some Areas	17.6	649
Not allowed at all	81.4	2922
Describe your place of work's official smoking policy for indoor public or common areas		
Not allowed in any public areas	70.7	1477
Allowed in some public areas	22.9	485
Allowed in all public areas	5.2	98
No official policy	NA	13
Describe your place of work's official smoking policy for work areas		
Not allowed in any work area	79.6	1649
Allowed in some work areas	14.7	325
Allowed in all work areas	4.5	87
No official policy	NA	6

*Results are weighted to account for both nonresponse and sample design, and to adjust for the age-sex distribution of Wisconsin's population.

NA: Sample sizes of less than 60 do not represent enough of the population to present an accurate prevalence rate. Thus, these values are not reported.

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